## Abstract

Described is a method for triggering an occupant protection device (19) in a vehicle including the steps: detecting a first measured variable and simultaneously generating a corresponding first signal (11) for indicating a necessity for triggering at least one occupant protection device (19); detecting an acceleration value in the z direction and simultaneously generating a corresponding second signal (13); calculating a trigger signal (18) for triggering at least one occupant protection device (19) as a function of the first and second signals (11, 13), and triggering the at least one occupant protection device (19) as a function of the calculated trigger signal (18). An appropriate device is also described.

## Figure 1